

[22nd October 1927]

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—“ May I ask, Sir, if as is stated in the answer there is objection to bring all the reserves mentioned in clause (d), whether in view of the fact that they have worked satisfactorily so far, the question of extending the panchayat system will be considered in the near future ? ”

The hon. Khan Bahadur MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—“ I shall have to examine the question, Sir.”

Quantity of sandalwood exported to Europe or America.

* 825 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) what the quantity of sandalwood is that is exported from this province to either Europe or America ; and

(b) the purpose for which sandalwood is used in the countries to which it is exported ?

A.—(a) Two hundred and forty-five tons were exported to America and Europe in 1925-26.

(b) Chiefly for making sandalwood oil.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI :—“ In answer to clause (a) it is stated that sandalwood is taken to Europe and America for making sandalwood oil. May I ask the hon. the Minister for Development whether he could not try to have it done here ? ”

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“ Supplemental questions are to be addressed to the Member to whom the original question is put. If the hon. Member wants to put any supplemental question based upon this question to any other Member of the Treasury Bench, he has to frame a separate question and give notice of it.”

Jails

Persons sent to Andamans from the Madras Presidency.

* 826 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) the number of persons sent from this Province to Andamans up to the date for which information is available ;

(b) how many of them are convicts ;

(c) how many of them are males and how many females ;

(d) whether there are any above the age of 50 and below 10 ; if so, what is their number ;

(e) the number of deaths after arrival in the Island ;

(f) whether there were any non-Mappillas among the men ; if so, how many of them ; and

(g) whether Government will make a statement with regard to the present condition of the persons sent out to Andamans from this Province ?